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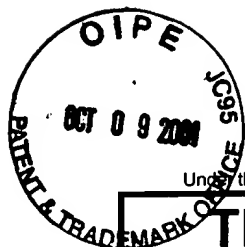
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)Applicant/Patent Owner: Robert M. EnglishApplication No./Patent No.: 09/879,840 Filed/Issue Date: June 12, 2001Entitled: Managing Configuration Information for Multiple DevicesNetwork Appliance, Inc., a Corporation

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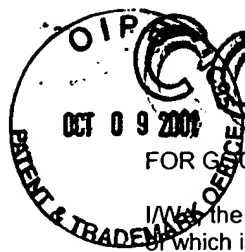
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495 East Java Drive, Sunnyvale, CA 94089, USA,

and its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the full and exclusive right, title and interest, for all countries in and to certain inventions relating to

"Managing Configuration Information for Multiple Devices"

described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States,

filed on **6/12/2001**, as Application Serial No. **09/879,840**,

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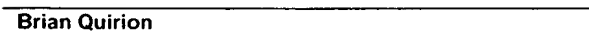
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